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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2008

Via Teleconference

The meeting was convened at 3:34 p.m. Catherine Tyrrell chaired the meeting.

1. *Minutes.* Minutes from the June 16, 2008 meeting were approved without objection. (M: Ford, S: Dorsey)
2. *Executive Director & Staff Reports.* Shelley Luce noted the MOU with LMU has been vetted by both parties' legal counsels and will be brought to the SMBRC Executive Committee for final review. She noted that the Center for the Study of Santa Monica Bay is underway. Luce also noted that the Bay Restoration Plan update is a staff priority at the moment.
3. *Consideration of Approval of \$675,000 SCC Grant.* Luce stated that the State Coastal Conservancy funds Sean Bergquist's full time position regarding Ballona Wetlands restoration. This funding will allow Sean and other new staff (1.5 more staff total) to conduct baseline monitoring and fill in data gaps identified by the Science Advisory Committee. Marvin Sachse asked what the expected work product was. Luce stated that it would be a report and raw data. Catherine Tyrrell noted that prior criticism of the restoration efforts included the lack of a baseline study, so this study is very important. Joel Hanson noted one minor correction to the resolution, deleting reference to Proposition 12, as this money could come from a variety of sources. The resolution was approved, as amended, without objection. (M: Dorsey, S: Sachse)
4. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m. without objection.

